

REMARKS

1. Summary of the Office Action

In the office action mailed June 6, 2008, the Examiner rejected claims 1-16 and 19-64 under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over U.S. Patent Publication No. 2006/0206576 ("Obradovich") and U.S. Patent No. 5,732,074 ("Spaur").

2. Status of the Claims

Applicants have canceled previously pending claims 1-16 and 19-64 and added new claims 65-88, of which claims 65 and 81 are independent and the remaining claims are dependent.

3. Response to Rejections

As noted above, the Examiner rejected claims 1-16 and 19-64 under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Obradovich and Spaur. Applicants herein have canceled claims 1-16 and 19-64 and added new claims to better claim the invention.

Applicants do not acquiesce in the Examiner's assertions regarding claims 1-16 and 19-64. However, Applicants believe that the rejections of claims 1-16 and 19-64 are moot in view of the new claims.

Applicants have studied the cited references and find that they do not show or suggest the methods and system set forth in independent claims 65 and 81. In light of the above remarks, Applicants respectfully submit that independent claims 65 and 81 are in condition for allowance.

4. Conclusion

Independent claims 65 and 81 are in condition for allowance. The remaining claims are dependent from claims 65 and 81 and are allowable for at least the reasons set forth above. For these reasons, Applicant respectfully requests favorable reconsideration and allowance of all of the pending claims. Should the Examiner wish to discuss this case with the undersigned, the Examiner is invited to call the undersigned at (312) 913-0001.

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